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M^r W^m Chapman

Respected friend I take

this opportunity to send a few lines to thee,
I have news which is able to learn whether
thou received the Enquirer I sent last or
not - I gave William James direct to send
them and he informs he attended to it,
thou wilt please send me word whether
they were received or not, I want the
to have me the Liberator sent for one
year to my house N^o. 90 N^o. 5th St
There are many persons in this place that
woud take the Liberator, if there was
any pains taken to call on them.. all of
James Obe Cummings subscribers are in want
of it, or nearly all. the paper being stopped
on account of his not paying up as he should
do.. I hope thou wilt excuse me for mentioning
the with this kind of matter but I know
thy interest in the Liberator is about the
right kind.. I can recollect the amount
of my subscription and of the money for the

business... our cause is doing well here as could
be expected. The Vigilant Committee which I am
a member is doing more to send away the
slaves than the Colonization Society is, I have
within a month or thereabouts sent ten
or twelve 1000 dollars worth of that kind of
goods to Victorias, Lancans, and I expect to send
some twenty 1000 dollars worth more in about
a month from this time. If the south don't
emancipate her slaves they will all run out of
Mass and Vir, in three or four years. They come
by the doz and half doz.. and many persons
in the south begin to think it will be better
to set them free as they will all leave. Perhaps
the Vir. news ⁱⁿ the Fr. Freeman about a family
of 8 leaving Vir, a short time since. that may
all be fixed here before they start, and done
in a decent manner. and the fact of so many
coming away will give confidence to others to
leave they are like sheep jumping over a fence
when one goes the all follow. Several persons
have been down there and informed the slaves
about the Vir. Com. of Phil. and I should not
feel surprised if we should send two or
three hundred away next year.

the must excuse my bad Spelling I am not
accostomed to using my Pen and I dislike to have
it up on I should give you much interesting
information. If you who have more ab the slaves
~~will~~ amongst you could give us some money towards
helping at the Poor Homes it should come very good

Thine truly, The Slave

Edmund McCooley

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